

**We Claim:**

1. A filtering system for a spa or pool, comprising;  
  
a closed filtering tank that includes a cylinder which extends upwardly from a manifold having an outlet passage and an inlet passage;  
  
a pump having a suction side and a discharge side;  
  
a filter body in the filtering tank that includes a vertically extending cylinder having a water inlet opening at its upper end and a water discharge orifice at its lower end, the sides of such cylinder being formed with auxiliary water inlet openings;  
  
a filter bag having a cylindrical sheath which extends upwardly from the lower end of the filter body to the upper end of such filter body, the sheath encompassing the exterior of the filter body, such filter bag also being formed with a pocket that extends concentrically downwardly from the upper end of the sheath downwardly into the filter body from the spa water inlet with the pocket's bottom end being substantially adjacent to and above the water discharge orifice, and the discharge orifice of the filter body being connected to the outlet passage of the manifold, with the lower end of the filtering tank being connected to the inlet passage of the manifold; and  
  
piping disposed between the outlet passage of the manifold and the inlet passage of the manifold and the spa or pool and the pump whereby upon operation of the pump water is drawn from the spa or pool into the filtering tank and then back into the pool.
2. A filtering system as set forth in Claim 1 which further includes a handle on the filter bag for removing the filter bag from the confines of the filter body.
3. A filtering system as set forth in Claim 1 wherein the filter body discharge orifice is smaller than the filter body spa water inlet opening whereby spa water flowing through the

filter body may form a vortex that traps debris which is too large to pass through the filter bag pocket within the pocket.

4. A filtering system as set forth in Claim 1 which further includes a support ring which is attached to the sheath to abut the end of the filter body adjacent the spa water inlet opening of such filter body.

5. A filtering system as set forth in Claim 1 which further includes a retainer removably securing the filter bag upon the filter body; and with the filter body discharge opening being connectible with the suction end of the water circulation system pump whereby upon operation of the pump water is drawn from said body of water into the first-mentioned water inlet opening, and the auxiliary water inlet openings, through the filter bag and then out of the water discharge opening of the filter.

6. A filtering system as set forth in Claim 5 wherein the retainer is an O-ring removably positioned around the upper outer portion of the bag.